

Bay Alumni Foundation – Monthly Meeting

November 6, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Jim, Pete, Paul, Kim, Eve, Joanne, Bill L., Tom, Kevin

Noted quorum present.

Financial Report:

- October was a profitable month.
- YTD we are ahead of budget.
- Class of 66 scholarship fund is fully funded for perpetual support (as is Voiers).
- Last of the BAF scholarships was paid to the university.
- Annual report will be complete this week.

General Meeting:

- Eve asked Jim to reach out to Greg Haneline re: the Voiers Scholarship and their planned interaction / communication with the counselor's office. Jim sent a note to Greg and copied Eve.
- Eve asked whether BAF would offer one or two scholarships in 2024, given we did not have proceeds from Alumni Madness last year (two scholarships from BAF + class of 66 + Voiers for a total of four). A motion was made (and seconded/approved) to plan on one scholarship for 2024 and if after a more detailed review of the scholarship account and a successful alumni madness, we could boost the plan to two scholarships.
- Suggestion was made to only post the annual report on our web site and possibly a note on our Facebook Page re: it being posted, as opposed to spending any money printing / distributing hard copy.
- Pete has been in contact with Becca regarding Shoreline going forward. Becca is interested / willing to help lead the effort to format / prep the upcoming editions as long as her time permits. She has ideas that could make future editions more mobile friendly. Pete is going to followup with Becca to confirm a go-forward strategy. If Becca does not have the time, we have an alternative using another BHS grad who will do the work for a small fee (e.g. \$150-200).
- Pete has spoken to Mark at Bay Lanes and exchanged notes with him re: a Saturday date in March for Alumni Madness. He asked Mark if he would reach out to his bowling league(s) and suggest a "bye week" so we could use the facility. Mark was open to the idea. Pete will follow up with him this week. If Bay Lanes does not work out, Pete, Kim and Kevin said they will reach out to the Avon Lake facility.

- A dedicated fund raising day (e.g. National Rocket Day) was discussed for February, where we would encourage all alumni to donate on that date to raise funds for the operating account. During discussion the following ideas were offered:
 - Have a bronze, silver, gold level giving structure (e.g. \$5, \$15, \$25) and publish all the names of those who donated. Hope for at least 50% participation from those who are active on our FB page and Shoreline lists (roughly 1,700).
 - Couple the promotion with a focused day at BHS or in Bay Schools to celebrate it students wear outfits that show school spirit, we run some contests, fun events, etc.
 - Consider offering to donate x% to the choir, X% to band/orchestra, x% to theater/arts to drive participation from those who remain passionate about their time at BHS focused on things other than sports.
 - More to come in the December meeting.
- December 4th for the year-end meeting is confirmed. Meet at 6 in the back room of Hoolihans, dinners will be ordered at 6:30. \$500 minimum that we need to cover. Currently have 11-12 confirmed.